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LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, the undersigned has noted that even though acknowledgement was received for the PTO 1449 form filed on June 29, 2001, the Examiner did not initial some of the references. No reason was given as to why the references were not initialed.

The Patent and Trademark Office therefore is requested to return the initialed forms to the undersigned as soon as possible. For the Examiner's convenience, we re-submit the references and form PTO-1449 in question.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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